# TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING October 18, 2010

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, October 18, 2010 at 10:00 a. m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President John L. Knochel, Vice President David S. Byers, and Commissioner Thomas P. Murtaugh. Also present were: Attorney David W. Luhman, Auditor Jennifer Weston, Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist, and Secretary Kay Muse.

President Knochel called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• Commissioner Byers moved to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2010 regular meeting, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

#### PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers for October 6, 8, 12, 14, 15, and 18, 2010 as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

# HIGHWAY - Opal Kuhl

# Opening of Bids - Lindberg Road Bridge

Attorney Luhman opened the bid packets and read the bids.

Walsh Construction	\$5,092,683.23
Milestone	\$4,583,610.29
Anlaan Corp.	\$5,091,633.62
HIS Contractors	\$4,917,000.00
Wirtz & Yates	\$5,507,852.45
Isom Construction	\$4,285,931.70
American Contracting	\$4,880,000.00
Pioneer Construction	\$4,987,992.43
Beaty Construction	\$4,400,700.00

Attorney Luhman recommended the bids be taken under advisement for full review and compliance with the bid specifications.

• Commissioner Byers moved to take the bids under advisement as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Commissioner Knochel thanked the bidders for their participation.

# Policy of Waiver for Mortgage Releases in Connection with Acquisition of Right-of-Way

Director Kuhl reported that INDOT requested the County have a policy in connection with acquisition of right-of-way. Attorney Luhman said that occasionally when applying for right-of-way only a small portion of a parcel may be required. When there is an existing mortgage on the entire parcel, the cost of having the landowner acquire a partial release of mortgage for that portion of land can exceed the value of the land, and delay the project. This policy sets those times when the County would be willing to waive

the partial release of mortgage. It states that the executive director of the highway department may waive the release of mortgage with respect to the acquisition of parcels that have a value of less than \$5,000; upon determining in writing that the complications of obtaining a partial release outweigh the benefits.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Policy of Waiver for Mortgage Release in Connection with Right-of-Way, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

# Bridge 210 - Change Order #2 from HIS Constructors, LLC

Director Kuhl said that Bridge 210 required additional concrete work due to the discovery of damage to the concrete wall after removal of the wing walls. The repairs required additional concrete and excavation work. This change order reflects all adjustments and quantity changes and increases the contract by \$17,008.06 bringing the total to \$855,381.53.

• Commissioner Byers moved to accept Change Order #2 from HIS Constructors, LLC as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

# **Utility Maintenance Bond - Warren County REMC**

Director Kuhl presented a Utility Maintenance Bond from Warren County REMC in the amount of \$5,000 for work in the right-of-way.

• Commissioner Byers moved to accept the Utility Maintenance Bond from Warren County REMC as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

### MITS - Dave Sturgeon

# **Wyatt Communication Proposal**

Director Sturgeon said that this is an infrastructure update for the County Extension Office. This project was budgeted for the current year. Director Sturgeon went on to say that the wiring is outdated and unreliable for data traffic. Wyatt Communications will be doing the work, which includes the updating and installation of all cables. The amount is \$14,796.05.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Wyatt Communication Proposal as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

# **Anthem Insurance Contract**

Commissioner Murtaugh stated that this is a shift of the County's health insurance benefit administrator. Beginning 2011 CIGNA will no longer be the administrator. Anthem has been chosen to administer the health insurance coverage for 2011. One of the many benefits of this change will be fewer out-of-network fees. Anthem is also offering an additional credit to the County related to the opening of the County Wellness Center.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the insurance contract with Anthem as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

### Wellness Center Contract - WeCare LLC.

Attorney Dave Luhman said this contract is with WeCare LLC for administrative services related to the Wellness Center. It includes compensation for administrative services and medical staff salaries. He added that WeCare LLC would be responsible for staffing the Wellness Center. Attorney Luhman stated

that the contract is in proper form pending the receipt of the final insurance addendum. Attorney Luhman recommended the Commissioners approve the contract subject to receipt of the insurance addendum with all requested changes.

 Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Wellness Center Contract with WeCare LLC subject to receipt of the insurance addendum as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

# Renewal of Operation Agreement with Southside Landfill, Inc.

Attorney Luhman stated that when the 5-year renewal contract with Southside Landfill Inc. was approved, the ending date of December 31, 2015 was not included on the form of renewal or in the lease. This amended contract includes the beginning and ending dates for the extension and the lease. The dates of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2015 have been incorporated into the contract.

• Commissioner Byers moved to approve the Renewal of Operation Agreement with Southside Landfill Inc. and the addendum to the lease with Southside Landfill Inc. as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

#### APPOINTMENTS TO COMMON WAGE BOARD

 Commissioner Byers moved to appoint Al Parker to the Hillside Erosion Repairs, Indiana Veteran's Home project and Dave Lahr to the City of West Lafayette, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Commissioner Byers reminded that the burn ban is still in effect.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

#### REPORTS ON FILE

Crystal Creek Kennels

#### **GRANTS** – Laurie Wilson

Commissioner Knochel requested permission to accept a \$3,000 Homeland Security grant for District 4. This will be used to send two people to the All Hazard Incidence Management Conference in Denver Colorado this coming December.

• Commissioner Byers moved to grant permission to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Commissioner Knochel requested permission to accept an \$8,345 Homeland Security grant for TEMA; it will be used for the Citizen Corp Program.

 Commissioner Byers moved grant permission to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried. Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to apply for a \$5,000 Indiana Department of Health Grant for the County Health Department. It will be used for ongoing resources such as training and supplies for the Medical Reserve Corp.

• Commissioner Byers moved to grant permission to apply for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to accept a \$25,959 Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Grant for CASA. The grant will be used to fund the salary of a part-time supervisor position. The position supervises and assists 25 CASA volunteers.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to grant permission to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to apply for a \$50,000 Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Grant for Cary Home. This is the second year of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) program.

• Commissioner Byers moved to grant permission to apply for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to apply for a \$20,000 Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Grant for Cary Home. This is a Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative program supplement; the priority for these funds will be the Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC).

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to grant permission to apply for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to apply for a \$61,000 Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Grant for Juvenile Alternatives. This will fund the salary for an evidence-based day reporting position.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to grant permission to apply for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to apply for a Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) for Court Services. Ms. Wilson stated that Court Services has not submitted a budget at this time. Attorney Luhman stated that the Commissioners could grant permission to apply for the grant contingent on the submitting of the required budget information. Court Services Coordinator Lisa Smith said it would be used for education and technology costs and was around \$13,000 last year.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to grant permission to apply for the Byrne JAG Grant, not to exceed \$13,000 and contingent on the submitting of the required budget information as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

Commissioner Byers moved to adjourn.

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ATTEST:

Jennifer Weston, Auditor 10/18/10